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Application of :  
Manabu OUMI et al. :  
Serial No. 09/462,437 : Group Art Unit - 2653  
Filed: May 16, 2000 : Examiner - Kimlien T. Le  
For: NEAR-FIELD OPTICAL HEAD : Docket No. S004-3848 (PCT)

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.114

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In response to the final Office Action dated  
February 3, 2003, applicants amend their application as  
follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly amend claims 1 and 19 by rewriting them in  
amended form as follows:

1. (Four Times Amended) A near-field optical head,  
comprising:

MAILING CERTIFICATE ON  
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